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SENATOR CROSBY PRESIDING

SENATOR CROSBY: Good morning and welcome to the George W. Norris Legislative Chamber. This is the fortieth day, Wednesday, March 12, of the Ninety-Fifth Legislature, First Session. Our chaplain for the day is Elder Eldon Fletcher of the Church of Jesus Christ Latter-Day Saints and Director of the Mormon Trail Center at historic winter quarters in Omaha. He is the quest of Senator Lynch. Elder.

ELDER FLETCHER: (Prayer offered.)

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Elder Fletcher. Roll call. Will senators please record your presence.

CLERK: I have a quorum present, Madam President.

SENATOR CROSBY: Any corrections to the Journal?

CLERK: I have no corrections this morning, Madam President.

SENATOR CROSBY: Any messages, reports, announcements?

CLERK: Priority bill designation. Senator Hartnett has selected (LB) 875 as his personal priority bill. And Urban Affairs Committee has selected LB 299 and (LB) 876 as committee priority bills. New resolutions. (Read brief summaries of LR 93 and LB 94.) Have an Attorney General's Opinion to Senator Will. That's all that I have. (See pages 1014-18 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Before we begin, Senator Lynch has asked me to announce that he's inviting you to join, in the Rotunda at noon today, the celebration of the 150th anniversary of the Mormon Pioneer Trail. There will be entertainment, and I know he will have more to say about that at a later time this morning. He has, as his guests this morning, and they're under the south balcony, Sister Fletcher, Sister Bingham, Sister Hansen, all of Cmaha, and Shawna Valentine of Lincoln. They are all with the Mormon Trail Center in Omaha. Would you all please stand and be welcomed by the Legislature. And Senator Schimek wants you to know that the Girl Scout